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ISSUE! A TEAM IS BORN!

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PREVIOUSLY IN THE SCORCHED

The team rescues the one and only REAPER from the clutches of mutated angels. After the melee with a Plague clone, they receive an offer from the new Soul Crusher that they may not refuse.

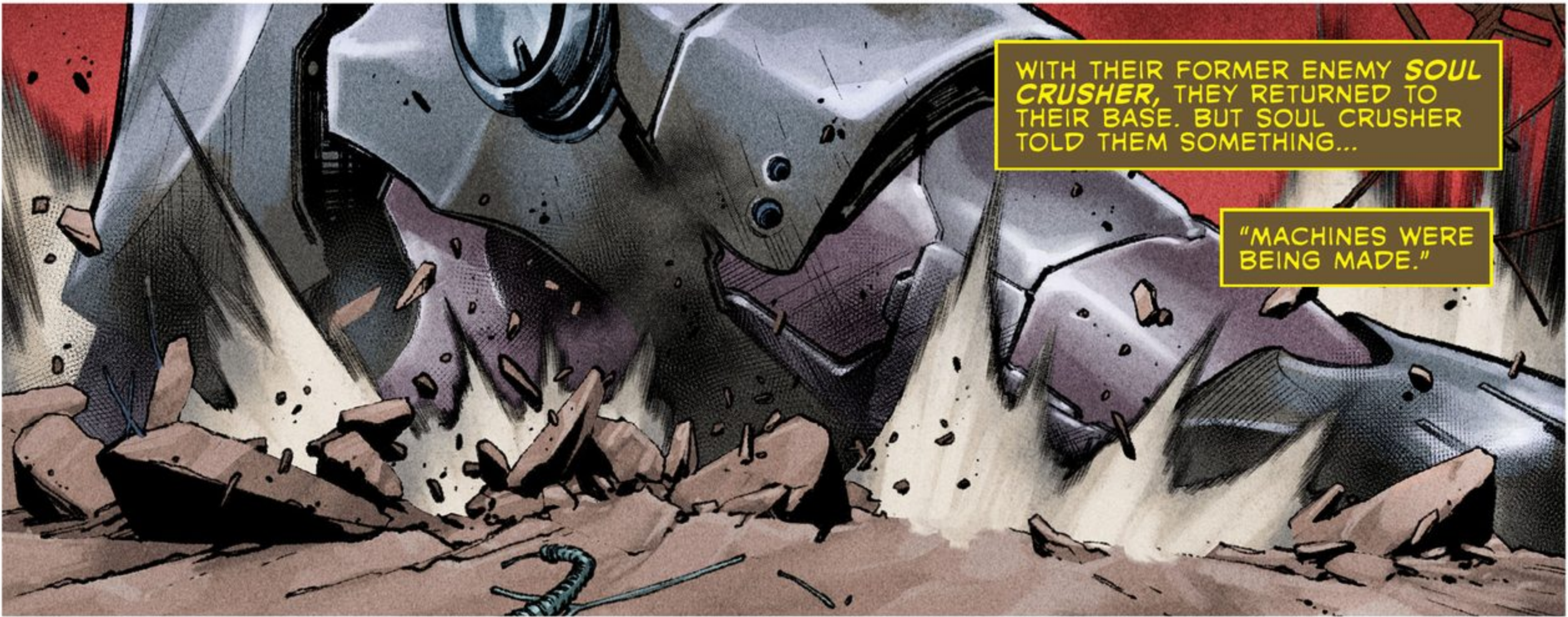


THE LAST TIME THE SCORCHED WERE SEEN THEY WERE IN THE CASTLE OF SOME 'UNDEAD' ANGELS, NEAR THE BORDERS OF BELARUS.



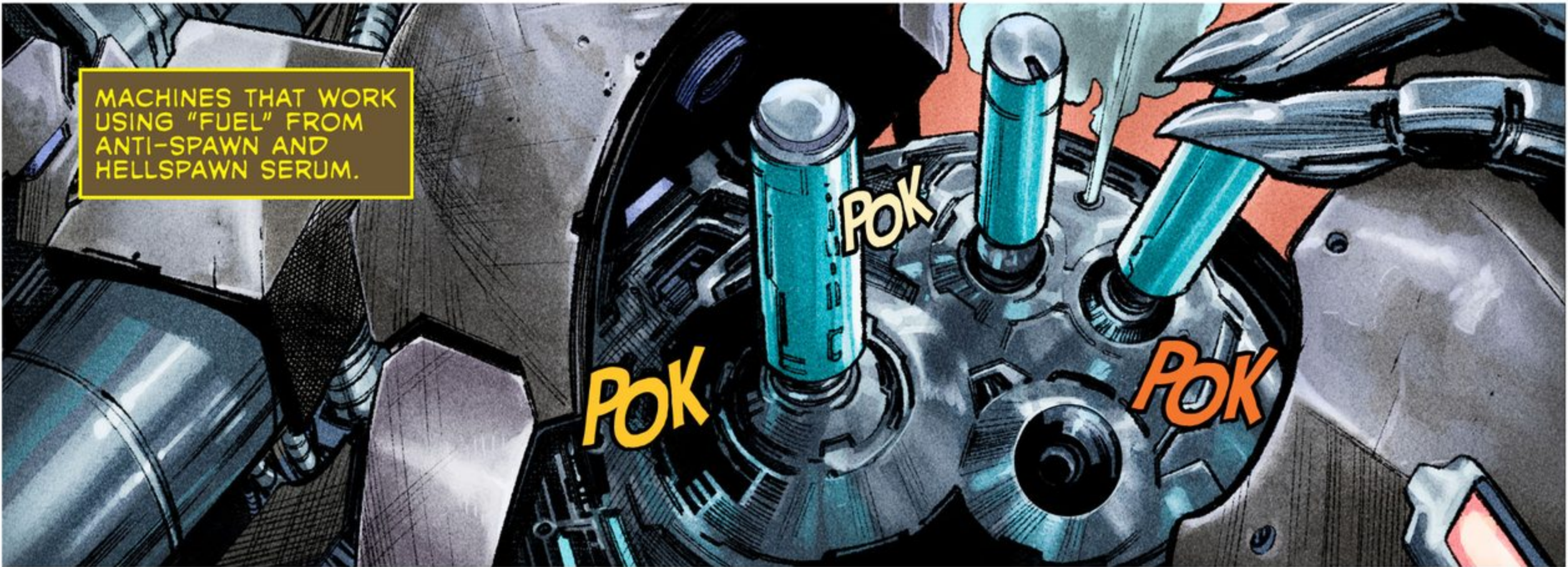
THEY SAVED REAPER, PUTTING HIM IN HIDING TO HEAL HIS WOUNDS.

SCAN MODE: DNA IDENTIFYING...
01101010 MATCH FOUND *



WITH THEIR FORMER ENEMY **SOUL CRUSHER**, THEY RETURNED TO THEIR BASE. BUT SOUL CRUSHER TOLD THEM SOMETHING...

"MACHINES WERE BEING MADE."



MACHINES THAT WORK USING "FUEL" FROM ANTI-SPAWN AND HELLSPAWN SERUM.

POK

POK

SENTINEL BEINGS
CODED WITH
ONLY ONE GOAL...

SCANNING...
STATUS: ACTIVE

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TO OPEN A 'DEAD ZONE' ON THEIR OWN. FAILING
TO DO THAT THEIR DEFAULT IS TO KILL SPAWN, THE
SCORCHED AND EVERY HUMAN LOCKED ON EARTH.

UNIT
89, WE NEED
YOUR STATUS
REPORT.

THEY'RE CALLED **SIN
DEVOURERS**! NO
ONE KNOWS THEIR
EXACT NUMBERS.

BUT EACH HAS BEEN
SENT ON THEIR OWN
MISSION. THIS CREATURE
IS ONE OF THEIR KIND.

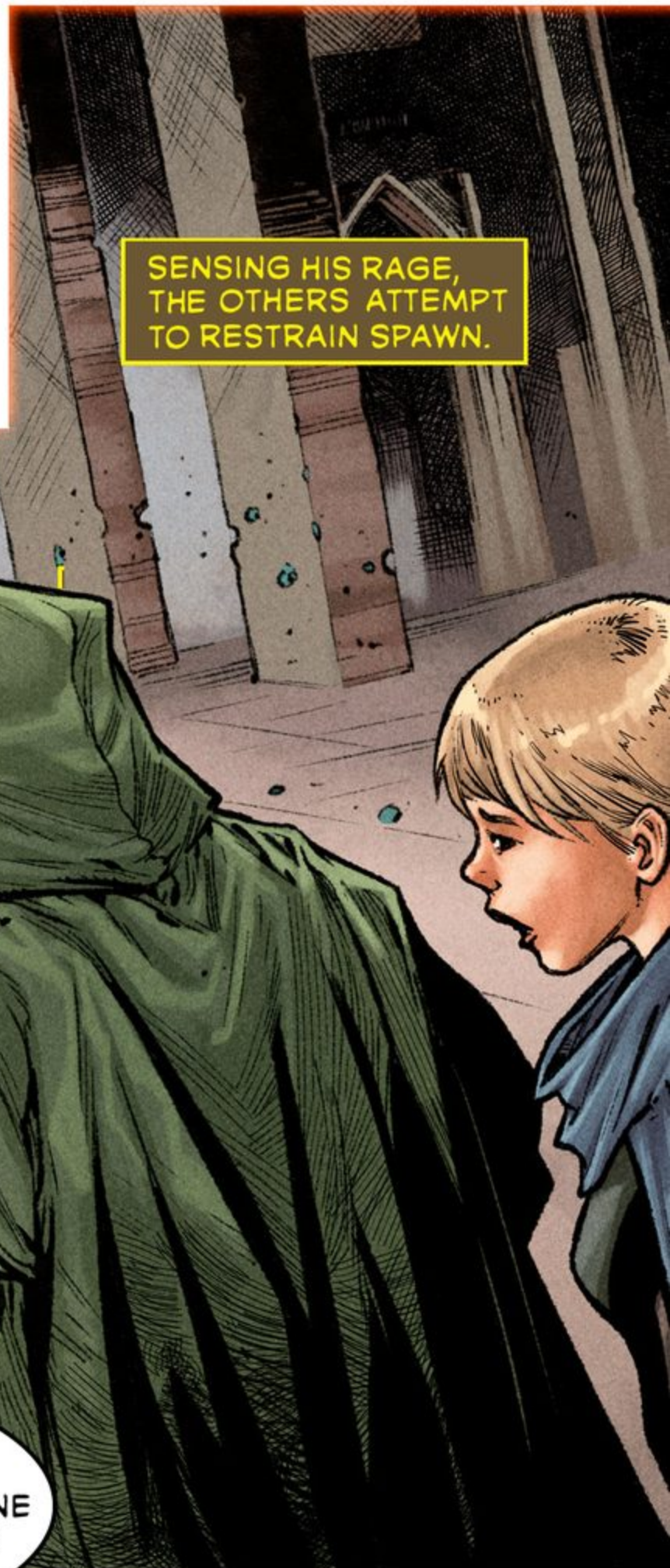
THEY WERE
HERE. THEIR RESIDUE
INDICATES BOTH HEAVEN AND
HELL AGENTS WERE
AMONG THEM.

THE QUESTION IS, WHO BUILT THEM?
WHY DO THEY WANT TO LEAVE EARTH?
AND IS THERE A CONNECTION TO SOUL
CRUSHER HIMSELF? THESE WILL NEED
TO ALL BE ANSWERED VERY SOON.



SCORCHED HQ.

JESSICA?



SENSING HIS RAGE,
THE OTHERS ATTEMPT
TO RESTRAIN SPAWN.



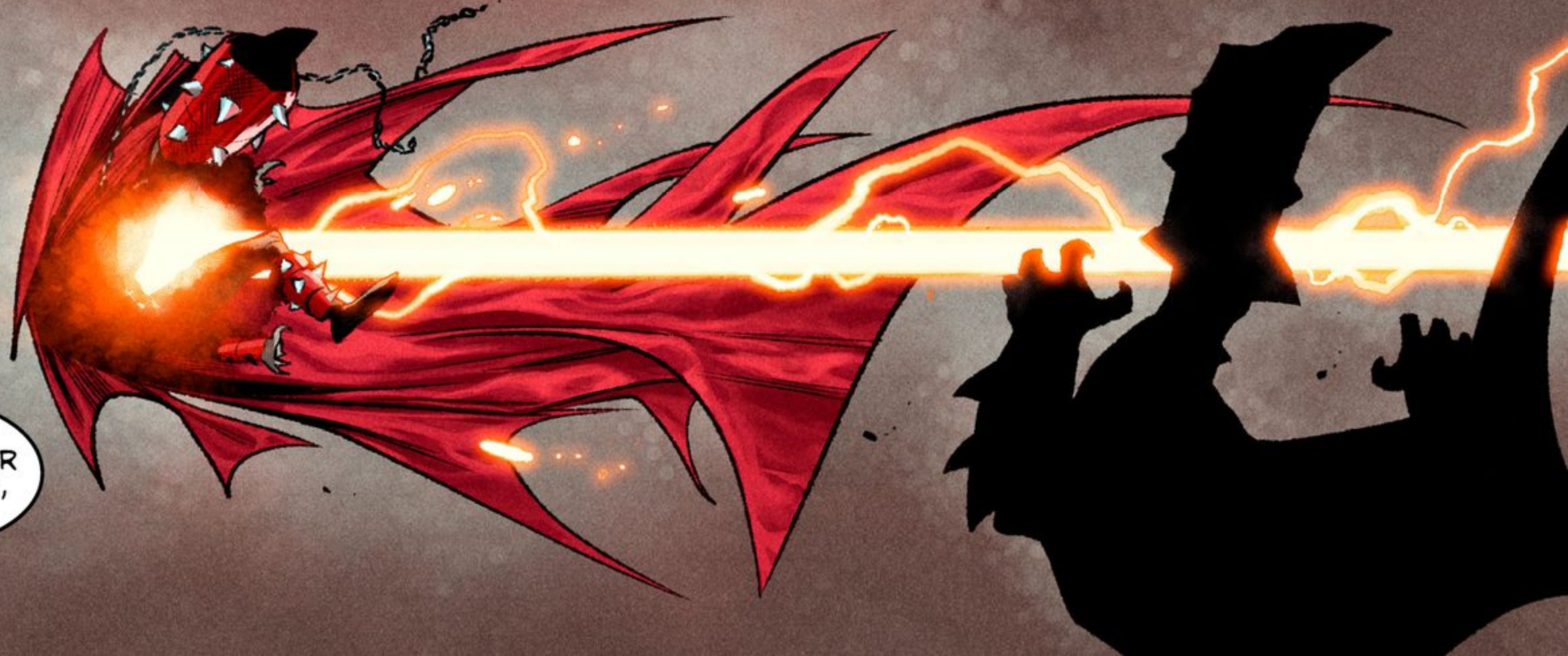
I'M
FINE.

YOU
EVER TOUCH
HER AGAIN; IT'LL BE
THE LAST MOVE
YOU MAKE.

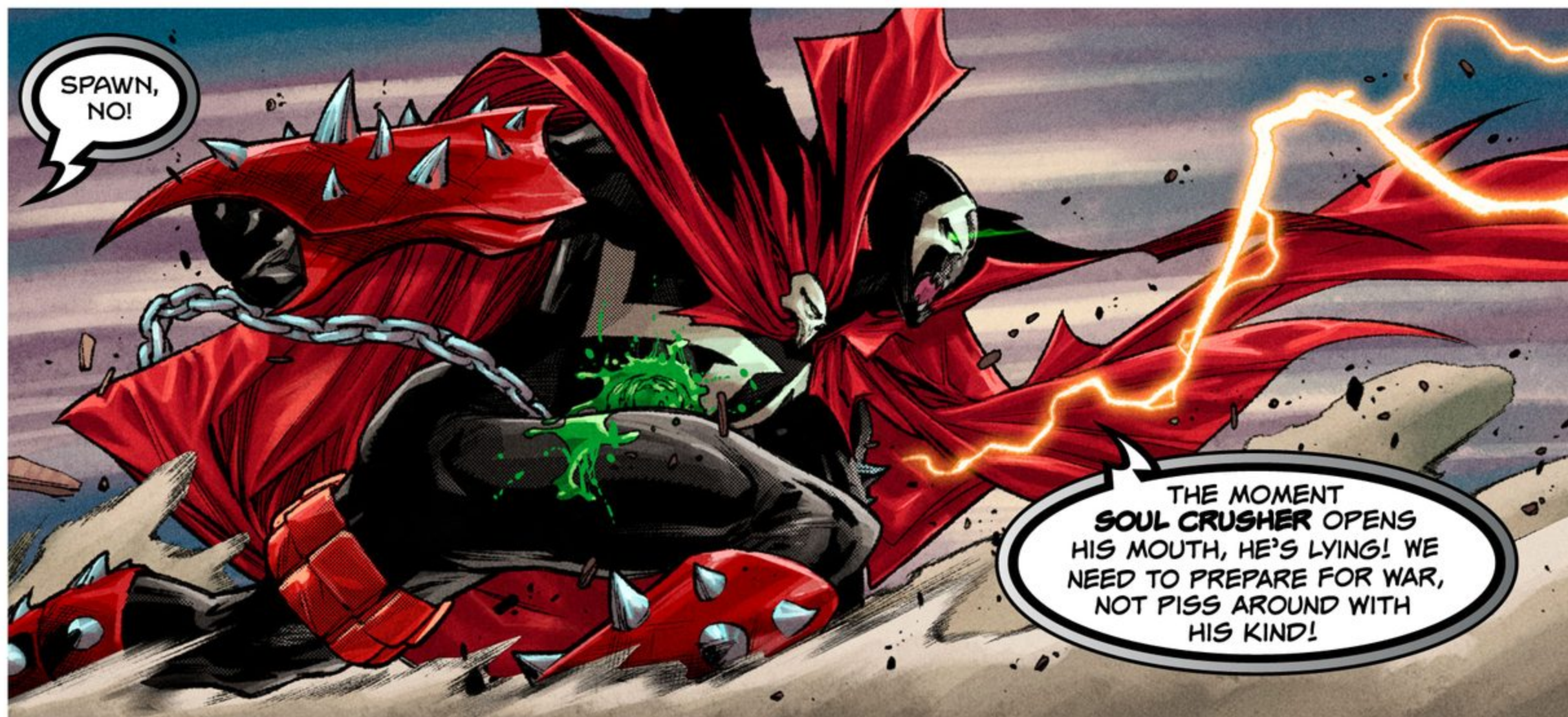
THEN *LISTEN* TO
WHAT I'M SAYING AND STOP
LETTING YOUR EMOTIONS DRIVE
YOU! WE CAME FOR A TRUCE. ONE
THAT'LL RETURN THESE SPAWNS
BACK TO WHERE THEY
CAME FROM. BUT...



IF THREATS
AND POWER IS THE
ONLY THING YOU
UNDERSTAND?



I'LL
SPEAK YOUR
LANGUAGE,
THEN!





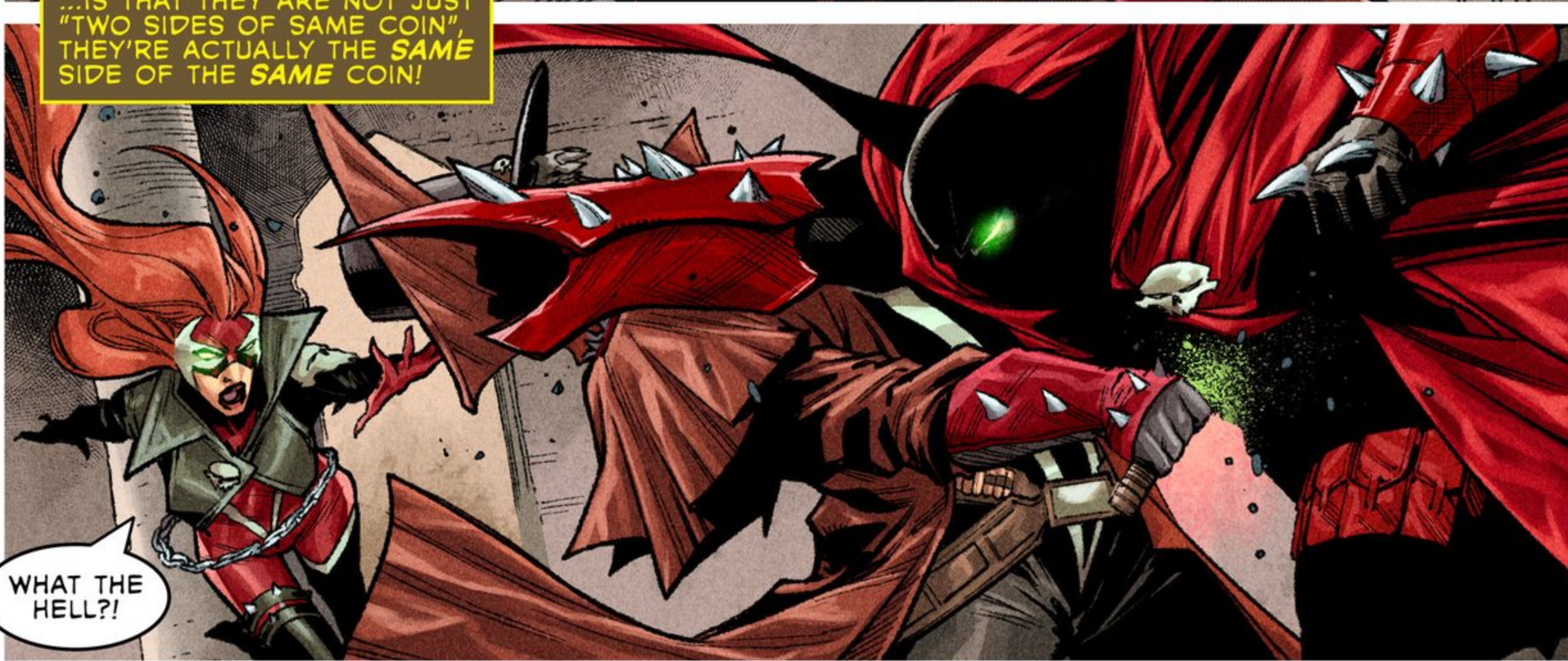
TAKE
YOUR HANDS
OFF HIM, YOU'RE
NOT IN CHARGE
HERE.

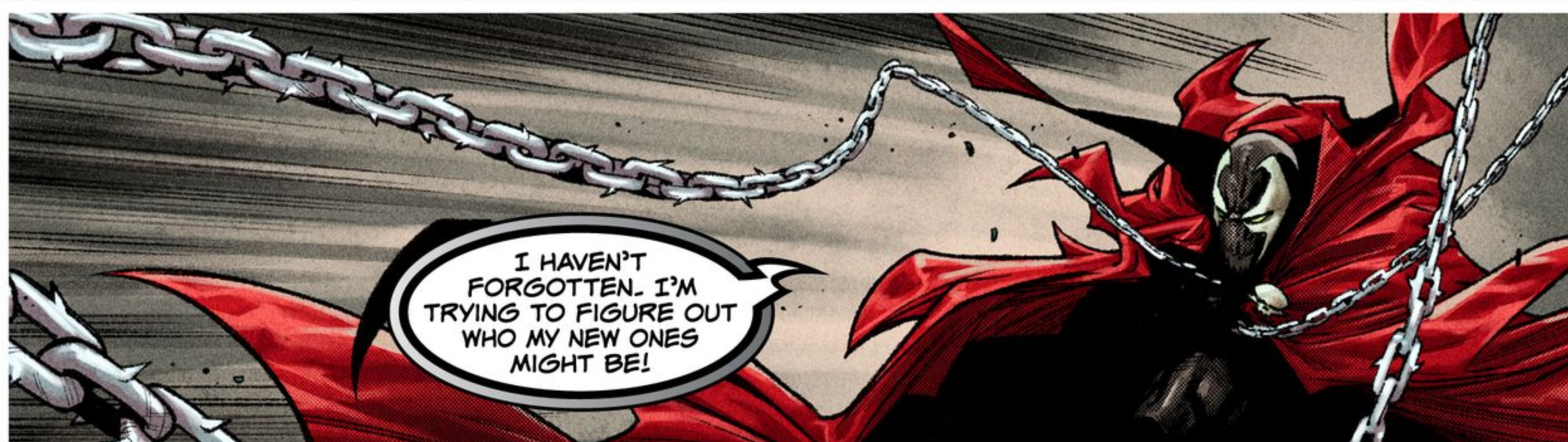
UNLIKE
YOU, SOME OF US
WOULD LIKE TO GET
BACK TO OUR REAL
HOMES. IF HE CAN HELP
WITH THAT, I WANT
TO HEAR WHAT HE
HAS TO SAY.

NOW, BACK
AWAY.

IS THIS
HOW IT'S GOING
TO BE, GUNSLINGER?
WHAT'RE YOU GOING
TO DO, SCALP
ME?







AND...JUST LIKE
HIM, GUNSLINGER
WILL NEVER RELENT.



HAD
ENOUGH,
YET?

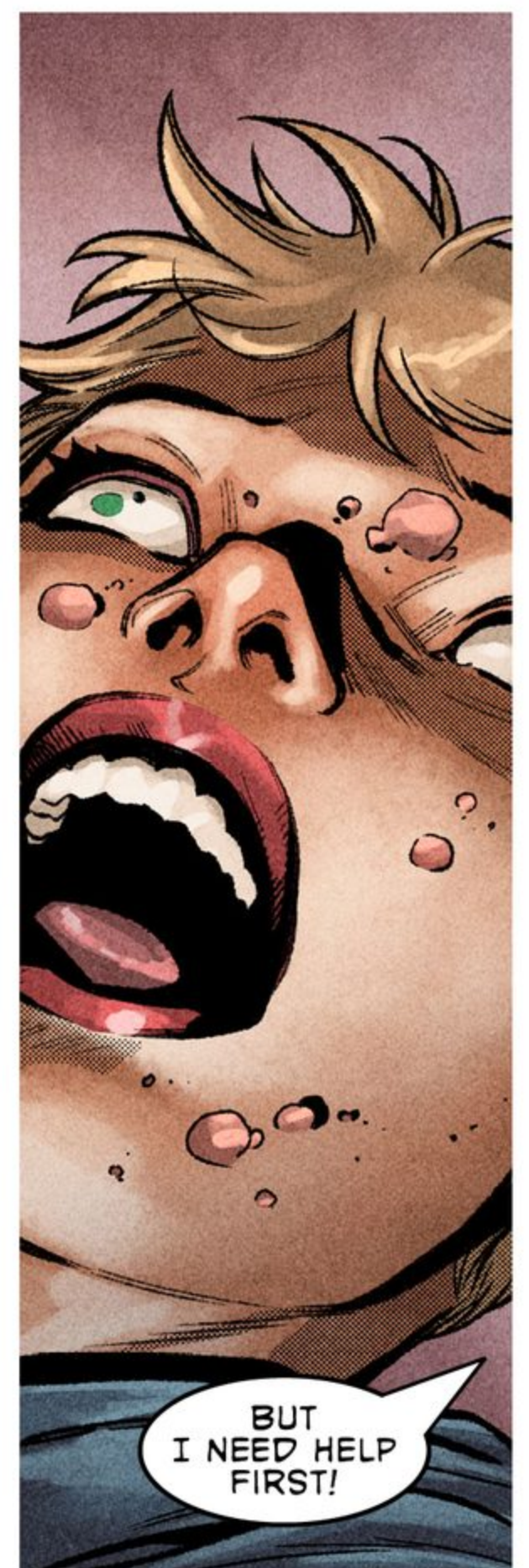
ARE YOU
OUT OF *YOUR MIND*?!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
WE DON'T NEED THIS,
NOT NOW!

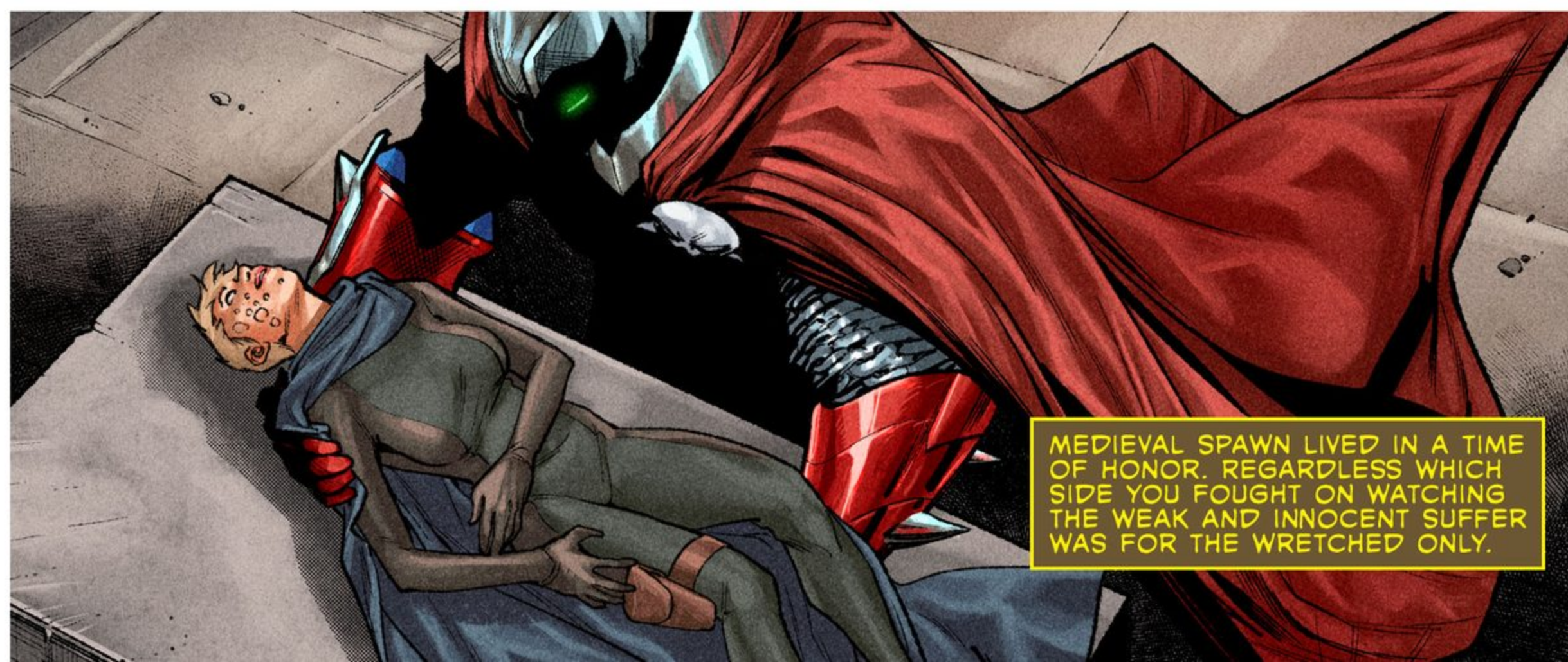
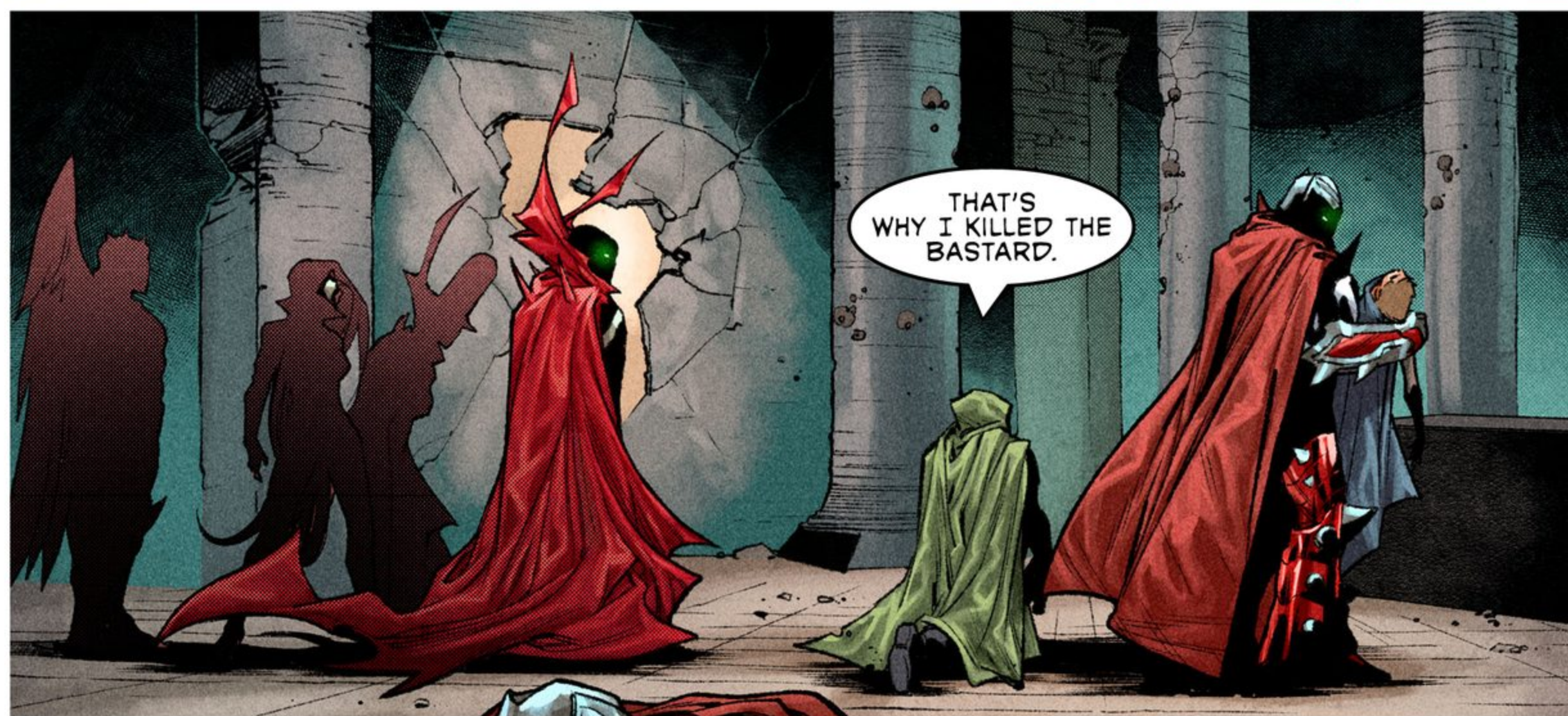
SNAP OUT
OF IT!



I DIDN'T
COME HERE
FOR THIS SHIT.
WE'RE *WASTING*
TIME!









DRUID PRIESTS EXPERIMENTED ON MEDIEVAL WHEN HE WAS YOUNGER, HOPING TO CONVERT HIM INTO AN ACOLYTE. A SAINT THEY COULD CONTROL. INSTEAD THEY SCARRD HIS BODY AND HURT HIM EVERY DAY HE WAS THEIRS.

BUT HE LEARNED THEIR MAGIC. HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS REAL AT FIRST. BUT WHEN HE FOUND IT WAS. HE STUDIED ABOUT IT IN THE SHADOWS AWAY FROM HIS CAPTORS.



UNTIL HE LEARNED ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO TURN THOSE SPELLS ON HIS OWN MASTERS.

≡KOFF!≡



A VOICE STEPS OUT OF THE SHADOWS TO GIVE ASSURANCE.

NATASHA!



IT'S THE REAPER. ALSO TRYING TO RECOVER FROM THE LAST BATTLE.

SHE'LL LIVE.



BUT ONLY
FOR A SHORT
WHILE.

THE SAME
MAY BE TRUE
FOR ALL OF US SOON,
BECAUSE LIKE THIS YOUNG
GIRL THERE'S NEVER
BEEN A TIME WHEN THE
VIALS OF POWER HAVE
BEEN MIXED SO
THOROUGHLY.

I HEARD
THEM, THE ANGELS,
AS THEY EXPERIMENTED
ON ME--THEY TALKED
ABOUT AN IMPENDING
CIVIL WAR ABOUT TO
WASH OVER OUR
PLANET.

A WAR
WHERE PRIOR
ALLEGIANCES WILL
MEAN NOTHING! WHERE
SPAWN WILL FIGHT
SPAWN. ANGELS WILL
KILL ANGELS. AND MAN
WILL CONTINUE TO
SLAUGHTER ONE
ANOTHER.

SOME WILL
BOW AND SERVE
TO THE NEW KING
LEADING THE WAR.
SOME, LIKE US,
WILL DEFY IT AT
EVERY TURN.

BUT MAKE
NO MISTAKE...
THE WAR IS
COMING.







I WAS
GOING TO SAY
WE'RE ALL
GUILTY.

GUILTY
OF WHAT?

OUR PASTS,
AND THE PATHS WE
CHOSE TO LIVE. NOW THOSE
CHOICES ARE COMING BACK
TO HAUNT US. SO, TELL ME, HOW
CLEAR IS YOUR CONSCIOUS,
ANY OF YOU? MY PAST HAS
BEEN HAUNTING ME
FOR YEARS.

I BET EACH
OF YOU COULD SAY
THE SAME.

WE'VE ALL
MADE DECISIONS
WE HAVE TO LIVE WITH,
AL. THE QUESTION ISN'T
WHAT DID WE DO IN
OUR PAST, IT'S WHAT
ARE WE GOING TO
DO ABOUT IT
TODAY?

IT'S
WHY WE'RE
ALL HERE
NOW.

"IT WON'T JUST BE YOUR ENEMIES BETRAYING YOU, JESSICA, IT COULD BE ANYONE! IT'LL BE CLOSER THAN THAT."



"FRIENDS. FAMILIES. LOVED ONES. EVERYONE OF THEM IS CAPABLE OF FALLING TO TEMPTATION."



THOOM



THEY'RE...
HERE.



OUTSIDE, A SIN DEVOURER
OPENS ITS MOUTH.





FOR THE METAL GIANT IS EXECUTING THE ONLY THING IT WAS CREATED TO DO; AND THAT'S TO **DEVOUR!**

NO, NOT YET! WE AREN'T READY!



AS WALLS BEGIN TO COLLAPSE AND FALL...

...SPAWN KNOWS.



THAT IT'S BEGUN.





THEIR PASTS WILL
NOT BE FORGIVEN.
AND THEIR FUTURE
IS NOT PROMISED.

FOR THE SCORCHED
WILL BE HUNTED.

AND A **JUDAS**
LIES WITHIN
THEIR MIDST!!!



SPAWNING GROUND

ART BY YOU!

HEY SPAWN FANS!

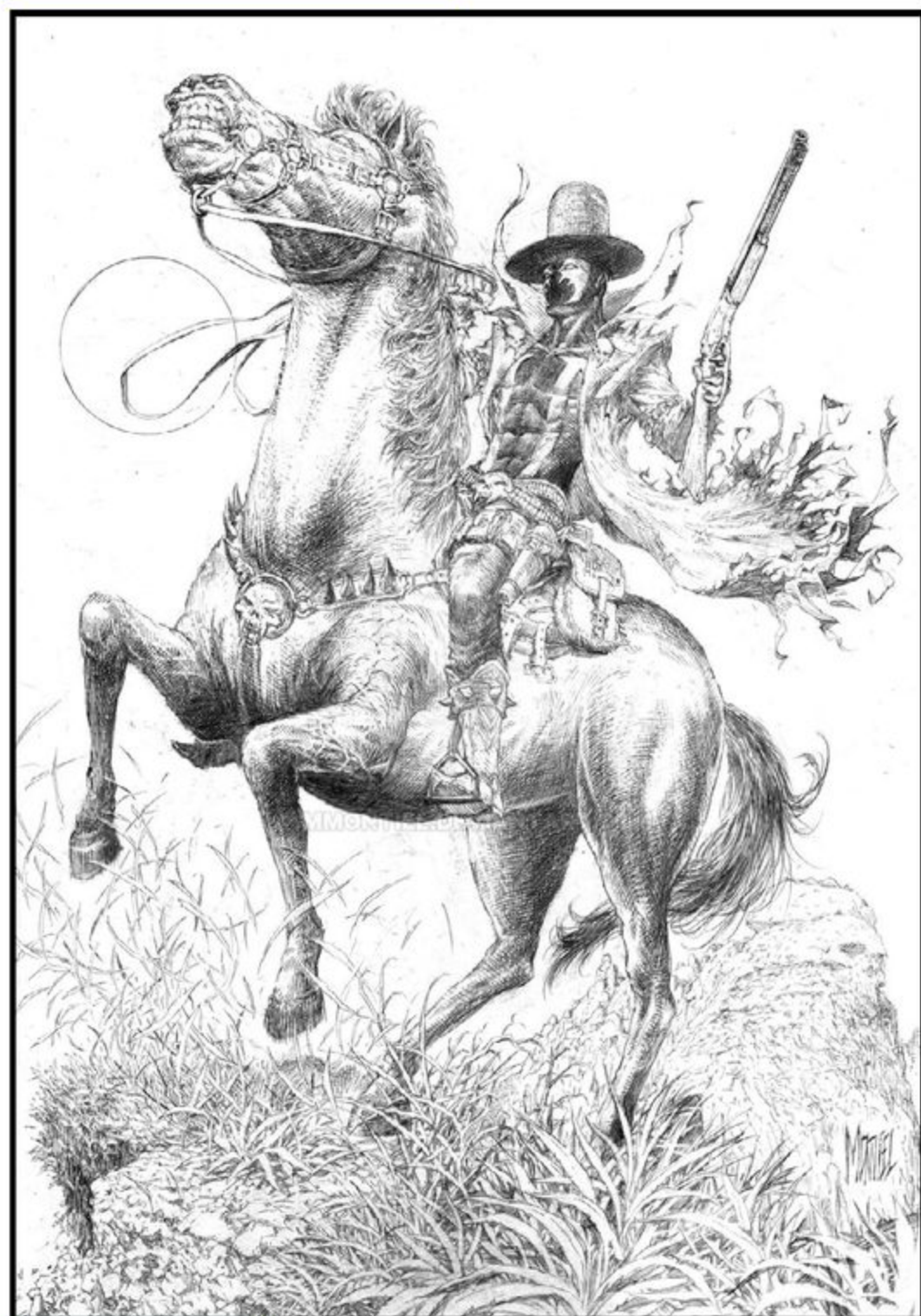
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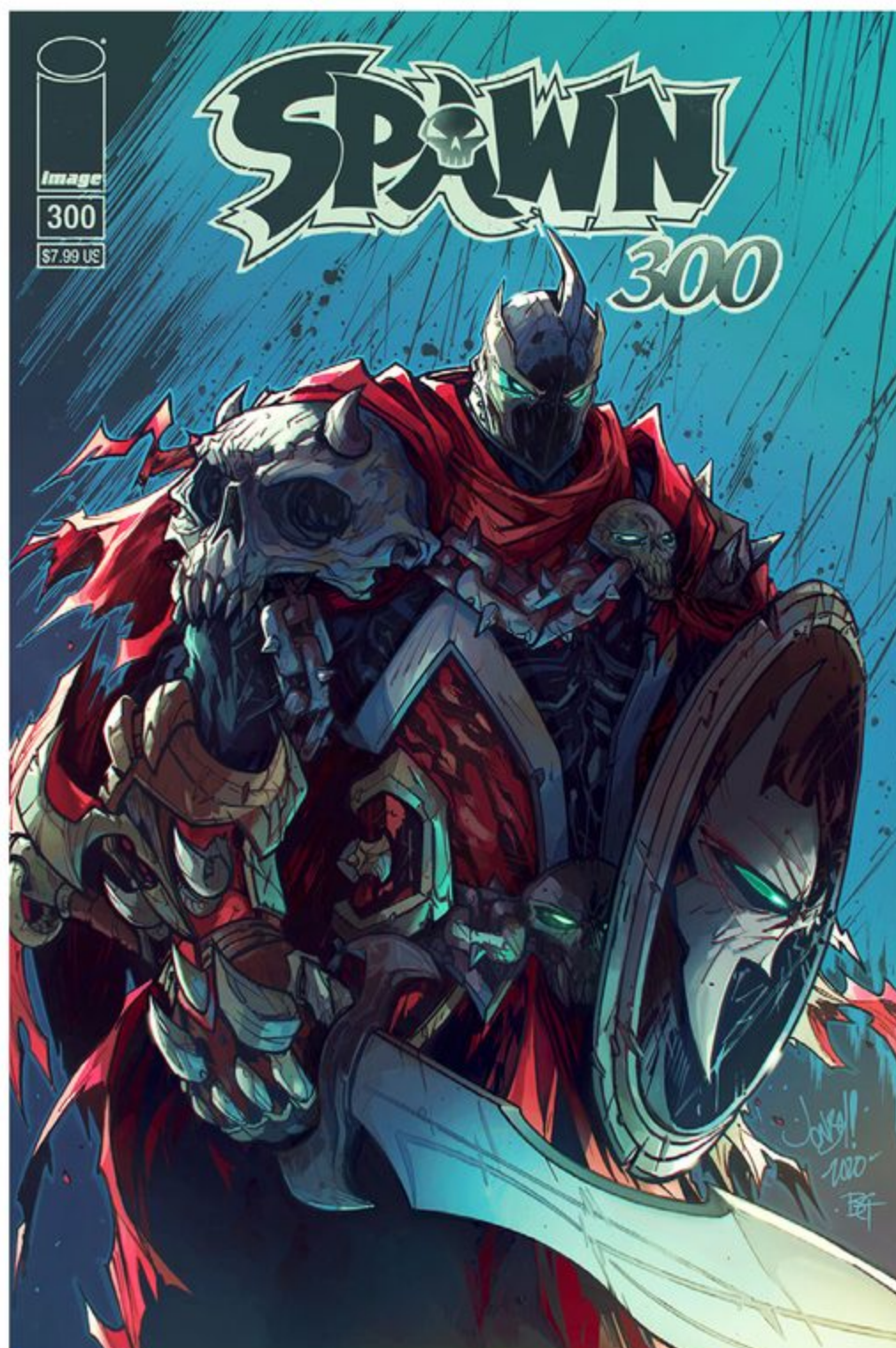
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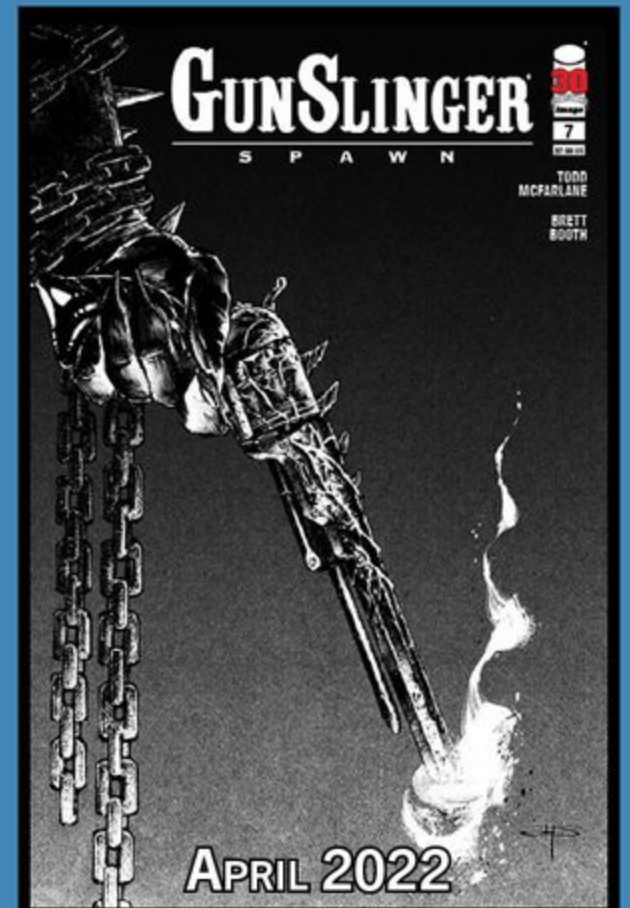
NEED MORE SPAWN'S ? UNIVERSE

DON'T MISS THESE TITLES:

SPAWN



**KING
SPAWN**



**THE
SCORCHED**



GUNSLINGER
S P A W N

ONGOING NOW!

VELVET DEADLY CLASS *ROYAL CITY*
LAZARUS **EAST OF WEST** I KILL GIANTS
THE WALKING DEAD I HATE FAIRYLAND
KING CITY *SEX CRIMINALS*
KILL OR BE KILLED **CURSE WORDS** *RATQUEENS*

SOUTHERN BASTARDS **SPAWN** THE WICKED + THE DIVINE **BLUE MONDAY**

MONSTRESS **CHEW** *KINGSMAN*
NOWHERE MEN

HOWTOONS THEY'RE NOT LIKE US **SUNSTONE** SEVEN TO ETERNITY

DESCENDER *PAPER GIRLS*

OCTOPUS PIE WYTCHEs *SHUTTER*

TOKYO GHOST THE BLACK MONDAY MURDERS **BITCH PLANET**

SAGA *MOTOR CRUSH* **WAYWARD** *TREES*
THE AUTUMNLANDS

CRIMINAL **PLUTONA** *LOW*

REVIVAL **NAILBITER**

CAMP MIDNIGHT

SNOTGIRL **ODDLY NORMAL**

MAGE *HINGES*

BLACK SCIENCE

PRETTY DEADLY

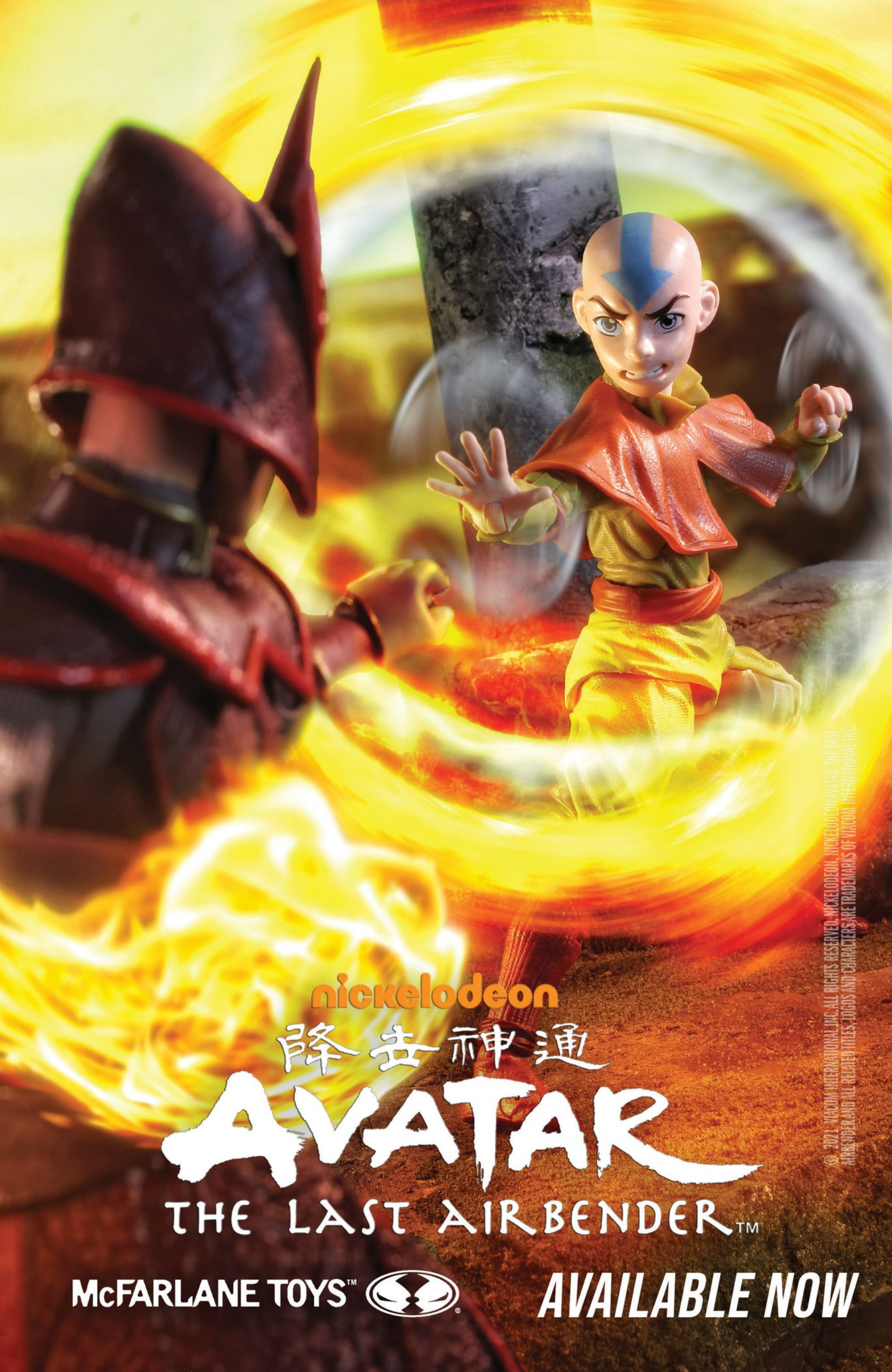
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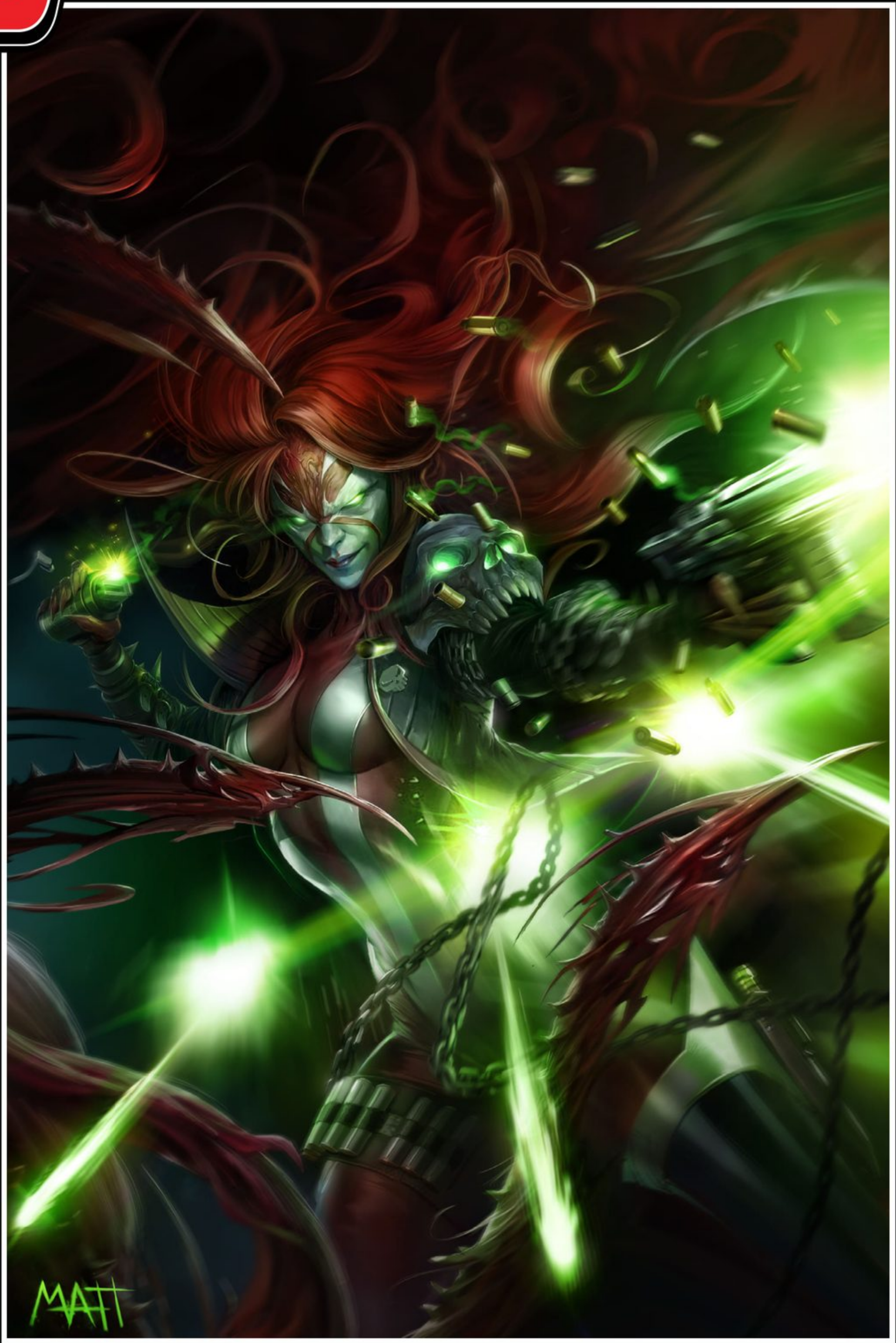
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